

## SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph at page 13, lines 8-16 to the following.

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A1 In some aspects of the invention, de-scrambler 24 ~~encrypts~~ decrypts only the information section of each frame in response to timing signals received from the second output of frame terminal 28, whereby the overhead data is not de-scrambled. Alternately, de-scrambler 24 ~~28~~ decrypts the information section, and selectively decrypts the overhead section of each frame in the second predetermined decryption pattern, in response to timing signals received from the second output of frame terminal 28, whereby the overhead data is selectively de-scrambled to further the encryption process.

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